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Profs in News

St. Joe faculty members are in the news. One was appointed Collegeville's treasurer; another was appointed procurator; a professor of economics returned to his old post; and a new book written by a local prof will soon hit the bookstands, all since the last issue of **CONTACT**.

The Rev. Joseph Otto, C.P.P.S., '27-'32, has been appointed treasurer of St. Joseph's College. He carried the duties of the office ever since the death of the Rev. John Schon, C.P.P.S., in January, but did not receive official appointment until July.

With accounting as his major subject and economics as his minor, Father Otto received the degree of Master of Business Administration from the University of Michigan in 1942. Since that time he has been assistant professor of accounting at St. Joseph's.

The Rev. Frank C. Laudick, C.P.P.S., '25-'27, has been appointed procurator at St. Joseph's College, where his principal duties will be to supervise the building maintenance program, the 1,800-acre farm and the student work program.

As an Army chaplain, Father Laudick earned four battle stars—Northern France, Ardennes (The Bulge), Rhineland, and Central Europe. He is a former assistant at St. Joseph's church, Wapakoneta, O., and at Holy Family Cathedral, Tulsa, Okla. He is also a former administrator of St. Rita's church, Dayton, O. and a missionary of the Society of the Precious Blood.

The Rev. Cletus Dirksen, C.P.P.S., '25-'26, returned to the Department of Economics after a three-year leave of absence dur-

ing which time he taught and studied at other institutions.

For a year he was instructor of economics at the Xavier University Labor School and at the Xavier University War Contracting School, Cincinnati. Two years of his leave of absence were spent as a student at Notre Dame.

The story of A Century of the Catholic Essay, a new book by the Rev. Raphael Gross, C.P.P.S., '27-'32, appears on page 4.

Hubbuch: "21 Years, Boys, Is a Mighty Long Time"

Cornelius Hubbuch, '23-'25, stepped into the office July 18 because "I wanted to show my children where I went to school." With him were four of his five youngsters, two boys and two girls, and two of his business associates. Mrs. Hubbuch had remained at their Louisville home with the baby.

It was Cornelius' first visit in twenty-one years. With only an hour to spare, for dinner was waiting in Louisville, the tour of the campus was rapid. But he admittedly left with the feeling that "I have some very warm friends at St. Joseph's." Mr. Hubbuch's gift of \$100.00 proved that he is a warm friend.

"I'm wrapped up in decorating and sound conditioning," re-

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BULLETINS

Fred J. Jones, '35-'39, a recently discharged Marine lieutenant, will take a refresher course at St. Joseph's next semester and will serve as student intramural director.

Thaddeus A. Wleklinski, '38-'42, and Miss Dorothy Catherine Szitas were wed August 17 at Holy Trinity Church, East Chicago, Ind.

Experts Will Address Rural Life Sessions

Farm men and women, Catholic and non-Catholic, are invited by the Rt. Rev. John G. Bennett, D.D., '06-'09, bishop of the diocese of Lafayette, to attend a School of Rural Living at St. Joseph's College.

The school, designed to promote better farm life, will open at 8 p.m. Monday, August 26 and will close at 4 p.m. Wednesday, August 28. It will be sponsored by Bishop Bennett and St. Joseph's College and will be under the direction of the Rev. Harold Diller, C.P.P.S., '25-'26, of Chickasaw, O.

Among the rural life experts who will speak are Verne C. Freeman, associate dean of the Department of Agriculture, Purdue; Thomas M. Kelly, of the Soil Conservation Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture; Msgr. Luigi Ligutti, executive secretary of the National Catholic Rural Life Conference; the Rev. Joseph Urbain, Millville, O., a leader in homestead developments, and Janet Kalven, director of women's rural life movements.

Work Out with Rockets

Conny Vanderkolk and Art Gilpin, members of the Pumas' 1941 undefeated team, are training with the Chicago Rockets.

marked Mr. Hubbuch, who was impressed by the renovating that is being done in the dining rooms and the plans now being executed in the enlarged library.

"Today's dreams are tomorrow's realities," is a slogan of the Hubbuch firm—designers and executors of distinctive interiors. Operating in Nashville, Tenn., Louisville and Lexington, Ky., they have a buying office in New York. (At his desk at 716 Gray St.)

Things a St. Joe Alumnus Might Think About

The Bears are having skull practice tonight. I was going over to see whether I could gather an idea on how to tackle this column, but being a man of Zacheian stature, thought better of it. Those Bears are monstrous large.

Just a calendar month from tonight the campus will be swarming with freshmen—big and little Pumas and Puma supporters. Crickets, zit-zitting outside the window their monotonous chant, grow on one. They seem a reminder of things to be done and the shortness of time during which to do these things.

There's the mailing list—that takes a day every now and then to bring up to date, especially just before another issue of the paper rolls off the press. We do appreciate it when we are notified of changes of address, for we don't want to miss anyone. When the notice comes

too late, and especially when it doesn't come at all, hours of time are needed to run down the lost members and recapture them.

If you hear anyone grumbling that he isn't receiving the paper, tell him to send in his name and address for a check. It will take another year to complete the new system of filing which is being introduced; it requires painstaking work and lots of it. Sounding the "Z" will be music when we get to the end of the alphabet.

Henry Rathweg, '06-'07, suggested a "Hall of Fame" department in the campus quarterly, *Measure*, something that would eulogize St. Joe men of the past whose lives were heroic. Henry, of the roll-my-sleeves-up manner, submitted a sketch on Father Daniel McShane, '04-'49, who became a Maryknoll missionary to China, and died there June 3, 1927.

Bishop James E. Walsh, M. M., has written a biography, *The Life of Father McShane*.

Measure is a problem child that will need much coddling before the middle of October, when copy for the first (November) number goes to the printer. But *CONTACT* requires pampering too. Here's a suggestion: a feature on the Alumnus of the Month in each issue. That's something for local chapters to roll up their sleeves about.

These two ideas don't necessarily add up to one point. Both of them, however, suggest that there is much valuable history that will never be recorded unless the data is gathered from some pioneers of St. Joe who are still living. Who are these men? Who will volunteer to interview them? Who of them will write his memoirs and send them to the Alumni office?

Clipping Cache Found!

It was an old cardboard box, hidden away in a dark corner of the campus. In the box was the first Montgomery-Ward catalog to appear after World War I. The catalog itself was a reminder of a quarter-century ago. But clippings pasted over the catalog's first hundred pages ought to interest every St. Joe alumnus. This was back in the days when if your team lost the game, you had to pay the expenses.

"The Indiana Dental College five will face the St. Joseph's five tomorrow night at the Marion Club. The Dents expect a stiff tussle. In the picture below are shown the following from Collegeville: P. Cox, E. Scheidler, P. Rose, R. Lange, F. Wellman, P. Brady, A. Schaefer, captain; C. Gaul, manager, and J. O'Brien." (*Indianapolis Star*, Jan. 16, 1920).

"Al Heinie, Purdue baseball and basketball star, has accepted a position on the St. Joseph's college athletic staff as coach. Rev. Albin J. Scheidler, C.P.P.S., in charge of athletics, conferred with Heinie on the matter, and the appointment was made public this week. There is good material at the institu-

tion, and all that is needed is a good coach. Heinie has a good baseball record and should achieve success in his new capacity." (*Indiana Catholic and Record*, Jan. 23, 1920).

"Father Elmer Scheidler of St. Joseph's College attended a meeting of college coaches in Lafayette today." (*Rensselaer Republican*, Feb. 10, 1920).

From an old ad: (*Jasper County Democrat*, April 21, 1920).

TURNER EXHIBITION
at St. Joseph's College
Wednesday 21, Sunday 25
Festal Days at Collegeville
Come One, Come All and See the Show
That Will Be Staged at Old St. Joe.
Come Out Those Nights and Say I Will,
And Laugh and Save a Doctor's Pill.
At 8 p.m. we ope the gate—
Pay 50 cents and don't be late.

"Captain Maloney and his mates of the St. Joseph's College baseball team smothered the Chicago Rainbows under a shower of base hits at the college grounds Sunday afternoon, under wraps, 14 to 4. The contest was one-sided and uninteresting. The visitors carried with them that don't-care manner which is

usually the case with clubs secured from Chicago, who come more for the train ride than anything else." (*Rensselaer Republican*, April 26, 1920).

"Each year the Turner Club event, given by the students of St. Joseph's College, is becoming more popular. The annual program, which was staged Wednesday night to a capacity audience in the college auditorium, was certainly an exhibition of real skill and each member of the club displayed thorough training. The entertainment consisted of various difficult stunts on horizontal and parallel bars, vaulting horse and ladders, also slack-wire walking. Father Albin Scheidler deserves great credit for introducing this branch of gymnastics and for making this unique and entertaining program an annual event at St. Joseph's." (*Jasper County Democrat*, April 24, 1920).

Send in the name and address of any alumnus not receiving *CONTACT*!!

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NEW ADDRESSES

Fifteen friends, who have changed their address since the July issue of CONTACT was mailed, promptly notified the post office. Postal authorities forwarded the old and the new address to the alumni office so that we could correct our mailing list. Each addressee received his copy of CONTACT somewhat delayed, and is assured of receiving all future issues.

Arranged alphabetically, the men with their new addresses are the following:

Rev. John J. Bannon, C.P.P.S., '34-'38, Matthias Rectory, 1801 Catalpa Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mr. Frank F. Basedow, '40-'41, 1506 Billemeade, Evansville, 14, Ind.

Mr. James C. Brusnahan, '40-'41, 1504 W. 69 St., Chicago 36, Ill.

Mr. James J. Casper, '36-'38, 2440 Brownboro Rd., Louisville 6, Ky.

Mr. Louis Dabbelt, '97-'00, 119 Heaton St., Hamilton Ohio.

Mr. Henry R. Froning, '99-'02; '06-'08, 225 Canyon Rd., Salt Lake City, Utah.

Mr. Robert C. Hall, '41-'42, 308 Franklin Ave., Vandergrift, Penna.

V. Rev. Msgr. Clarence C. Issenmann, '25-'27, 29 E. Eighth St. Cincinnati 2, Ohio.

Mr. Albert D. Kuntz, '19-'21, 144 S. Main St., Rittman, Ohio.

Mr. John H. Medland, '21-'24, 555 E. Jackson, Hillsboro, Oregon.

Mr. Robert Meiners, '39-'43, 5147 Pleasant Run Pkwy., Indianapolis, Ind.

Mr. William Milford, '42-'45, 120 W. Twentieth St., Marion, Ind.

Mr. John V. Modrijan, Jr., '23-'27, 928 Forty-ninth St., Kenosha, Wisc.

Mr. Rene J. Schneider, '39-'41, 102 N. Institute, Peoria 5, Ill.

Rev. Hilary R. Weger, '13-'17, 91 E. Main St., Norwalk, Ohio.

Rev. Frank J. Denka, '22-'26, sent a personal note with his new address—77 Broad St., Akron 5, Ohio. That (pardon the schoolmarmish complexion of the suggestion) is the best method.

In various ways we have located the following:

D. P. Conaway, C. P. C., '28-'30, N. A. F. Honolulu Oahu T. H. Supply Navy No. 29, c/o FPO, San Francisco, Calif.

Mr. Nicholas Lauber, '29-'33, 1627 Fauver Ave., Dayton, Ohio

Dr. Joseph Westhoven, '34-'38, 2213 Cherry St., Toledo 8, Ohio. Joe is taking post-graduate service at St. Vincent's Hospital there.

We are at a loss to place the following:

William L. Carlos, '17-'18. Bill left to join the Marines in World War 1. Then he was in Kansas, Texas, and California, in the sales department of various oil companies. Mailings to him in Walnut, Kansas after 1943 were not de-

Scharf Pins Football Hopes On 20 Pre-War Grid Vets

Twenty veteran varsity gridders will report for practice September 6, when the St. Joseph's College Pumas start training for a return to intercollegiate competition.

At the close of the 1942 football season, St. Joe's second consecutive undefeated year, the Department of Athletics decided to discontinue intercollegiate sports until after the cessation of hostilities. The Puma record shows 18 victories and three ties for the last 21 games.

Seven first-string men of the 1942 team who will report to Coach Dick Scharf are: Captain-elect Ted Swierczek, East St. Louis, Ill., right half; George Ellsperman, Evansville, left half; Henry Kaufman, Louisville, guard; Ted Nowak, Chicago, guard; James Buckley, Whiting, end; Tom Scollard, Indianapolis, end; Chester Skrabacz, East St. Louis, Ill. center.

Other ex-varsity men who are returning are: Roy Czarnecki, Chicago, fullback; Dave Jones, Gary, guard; Henry Knight, Chicago, fullback; John Lucas, Gary, guard; Gerald McCarthy, Chicago, end; Joe Pavletich, Whiting, tackle; Charles Ploszek, Oak Park, Ill., guard; Al Resetar, Whiting, guard;

Tom Ronan, Chicago, guard; Louis Bernhard, Columbus, O., halfback; John Bullock, Washington, Ind., center; John Einsele, Hammond, end; Robert Blanton, Ironton, O., end.

Scharf, who has been on the Puma staff since 1940, became head coach in 1943 when Joe Dienhart joined the Purdue athletic department. New assistant football mentor is Art Cosgrove who recently completed a successful basketball coaching career at Reitz Memorial high school, Evansville.

With the following schedule the Pumas will return to intercollegiate competition:

Oct. 5—Valparaiso at Valparaiso
Oct. 13—Loras at Dubuque
Oct. 19—Indiana State at Rensselaer

Oct. 27—St. Ambrose at Davenport

Nov. 2—Louisville at Louisville.
Nov. 9—Butler at Indianapolis
Nov. 17—St. Norbert at Rensselaer

Major Coleman Here On Terminal Leave

Major Thomas E. Coleman, '25-'27, U. S. Army chaplain, was on the campus July 20 to spend a few hours of terminal leave, which will extend to September 11.

Just before entering the service, August 14, 1942, Father Coleman was assistant pastor at St. Martin's Church, Cincinnati. Prior to that he was associate editor of the Catholic Telegraph-Register, official publication of the archdiocese of Cincinnati.

Major Coleman is entitled to wear the Victory ribbon, the American theatre ribbon, the E. A. M. E. ribbon with three battle stars, the Italian Occupation ribbon, the Bronze Star, and the Purple Heart.

Plan New Sidewalk

A trace has been cut for a new sidewalk from the main entrance of Collegeville across the north campus to the city limits of Rensselaer.

liverable.

Joseph M. Connolly, '40-'42, cannot be reached at 2922 S. Fifth St., Louisville, Ky. since April, 1944.

James L. Connor, '25-'30, from Parsons, Kansas as a student. Later in Washington, D. C. He is, or was, in service during the late war—at Camp McCoy, Wisc., in 1943.

It's Nick Again For All-Stars

CHICAGO—Nick Scollard, All-State St. Joe athlete in 1941, is training with the College All-Stars for their tilt with the Los Angeles Rams the night of August 23 in Soldiers' Field.

The six-foot two-inch, 210-pounder from Indianapolis was very much a part of the All-Star aggregation last year. In fact, he scored the collegians' lone touchdown when the Green Bay Packers won 19 to 7. That seventh All-Star point came on Tom Harmon's kick.

Scollard also played with the Seventh Air Force team last season. As an end with the airmen, he returned to the campus September 6 to play in a pre-season exhibition game against the Chicago Bears, which the professionals won 14-0.

Lapsys Nuptials Due August 25

CHICAGO—The wedding of Stan Lapsys, '39-'43, and Virginia Briggs will take place August 25 in the St. Joseph's college chapel with the Rev. Carl Nieset, C.P.P.S., '25-'28, performing the ceremony. Best man will be Ted Swierczek, '40-'43.

In the fall, Lapsys will study for his M. S. in Physical Education at Stanford.

Army Releases Chaplain

The Rev. Leo H. Boeke, '25-'26, announced June 13 that he would be discharged from the Army in a few days. Father Boeke, (home at St. Henry, Ohio) is returning to the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

Five R's in Shanghai School (Counting Religion, Russian)

Five R's instead of the traditional three is the way it's done in at least one school in Shanghai. Teaching at that school is the Rev. Maurice Meyers, S. J., '26-'30, formerly of Ft. Wayne, Ind. Religion and Russian are added to the reading, writing, 'rithmetic.

With his eye on Russia and his hopes high to help to make that country once more a member of the family of Christian nations, Father Meyers volunteered for foreign mission work when he joined the Society of Jesus after leaving St. Joe. He began his theology in the Russian College in Rome.

War sent him scuttling from Rome—out the back way through the Balkans, Turkey, India, to Shanghai. There, as a deacon, he continued his studies toward ordination and did catechetical work.

War Checks Progress

War interrupted the progress of

the school. With two Jesuit companions, both Englishmen, Father Meyers is now reorganizing. With more than fifty Russian boys attending, it now has grades on the grammar school level. Higher classes will be opened later.

Of his Russian charges, Father Meyers writes: "They are all fine, lively lads, full of a maximum of fun and a minimum of work. Our Ivans, Serges and Igors cheer a picnic and groan at a load of homework as demonstratively as any Bills and Jacks and Jims."

Father Meyers is a member of the Slavo-Byzantine Rite.



Line Coach

Jim Puett, well known in Hoosier sports circles for more than 20 years, has been signed as line coach for the Pumas.

As an all-round athlete Puett starred at Logansport High School until his graduation in 1925. At Butler, where he earned letters in football, basketball, and track, he was all-state grid center in 1928, 1929, and 1930.

He played professional football with the Portsmouth, Ohio team when it was a member of the National League. Later he coached Wolcott, Plymouth, Logansport, and Gilboa Township high schools.

He is a former playground director at Logansport, swimming instructor at Culver's woodcraft school, and director of a football clinic held at Culver for Indiana high school coaches. Every summer since 1937 he has operated a boys' camp at Indiana Dunes State Park.

The Football Kind. . .

Bears Take Over Puma Gridiron

The Chicago Bears, of the National Professional Football League, are deep in a rugged training program on the St. Joe College gridiron.

The group of players, coaches, and newspapermen—83 strong—arrived at Collegeville August 5. They will live on the campus until August 30 or 31 when they will leave to play a benefit game against the New York Giants, September 1. They will return to St. Joseph's September 2 and remain for one day before starting for their two-game opening series in the east. They will return again on Sept. 23 and will take turns with the Pumas in using the Collegeville gridiron until time to leave for the Bears-Green Bay Packers game September 29.

The Bears are headed by George Halas, owner-coach; Walter Halas, vice-president; Frank Halas, business manager; Bob Zuppke, advisory coach, and coaches Luke Johnsos, Hunk Anderson, Paddy Driscoll, and Gene Ronzani.

Daily from 9 till 11:15 a.m. and from 3 till 5:15 p.m. some of the biggest names in football will be found on the Puma field. Just to name a few—there's Sid Luckman, Bill Osmanski, Bulldog Turner, Joe Stydahar, Ray McLean, Hugh Gallarneau, George McAfee, Ed Kolman, Ken Kavanaugh, George Wilson, Ray Bray, Don Perkins, Rudy Mucha, Bill Geyer, Danny Magnani, Fred Davis, Henry Gude.

Aloysius Clark, '36-'38, of R. R. 3, Owensboro, Ky., has died. We have received no notice other than the official card of the post office department of Owensboro.



Convert's Alaskan Pastorate

A convert, originally from Dayton, Ohio, the Rev. James Snead, '28-'29, has spent the last seven years in Alaska as one of eleven diocesan priests working there. Pastor of Palmer, he hopes that some day the area he serves will be settled by American ex-soldiers.

Father Snead was baptized in Dayton. Immediately afterward he came to St. Joe to study. Here he made his first confession. Of the soil and climate at his present station he says that the short growing season produces an abundance of food for the long winter.

Sulphur Finally Goes

Sulphur water is a lost tradition on the campus.

The generations of students who thrived on it were proof of its healthfulness. However, local authorities decided that frequent replacement of plumbing, necessitated by sulphur corrosion, was an unnecessary expense.

Haman Lives in Seattle

Howard Haman, '36-'40 (H. S.), formerly of Cincinnati, returned from the army of occupation in Germany in July. He is now living at 200 Seventeenth Ave., North, Seattle 2, Wash.

Policeman on Top In Competition

In a competitive examination for promotion to the rank of Sergeant in the Toledo Police Department, Leo F. Niese, '15-'18, came out on top. "Thanks to St. Joseph's," he writes.

The same letter inquired as follows: "Please send information on the G. I. Bill of Rights in good old Alma Mater. My son William expects to be discharged about September and he would like to return to school. I do not know of a better school than St. Joe." (741 Ogden Ave., Toledo, 9.)

Here's What Publisher Says about Father Gross' New Book

"Suppose you were asked to choose the outstanding poems by or about Catholics since the year 1400 A.D. Suppose you were given the job of picking the best work turned in by Catholic essayists during the past century. How long would it take you? How many days, months, years would it take to go through great piles of books, magazines, pamphlets in order to make your choice?" Those are questions asked in a folder published by J. B. Lippincott Company.

The folder goes on to say, "You cannot answer these questions, but luckily you do not need to bother about them. Two literary men with trained taste and training for the job have done the work for you. Father Raphael Gross has lived his life with books, he's a trained

teacher of college English, he knows human tastes and essays of the past century. Alfred Noyes, an internationally famous poet in his own right, has opened his own notebooks to you by presenting his choice of the best Catholic poems written since Chaucer."

The folder gives the following brief biography of St. Joseph's assistant professor of English: "Father Raphael H. Gross, born in Padua, Ohio, has spent much of his life with books. From his early days in the little red schoolhouse where his father was teacher to his graduate studies and ordainment in 1938, he has managed to follow a personal reading program. He is familiar with a staggering quantity of American literature and he knows what he likes and why he likes it. Holder

of an M.A. from the University of Michigan, Father Gross has for the past five years been assistant professor of English at St. Joseph's of Indiana, a post that has given him the opportunity to share his love of good books and good writing with the students who sit before him. He has always been interested in the Catholic contributions to literature, especially through the medium of the essay, and A CENTURY OF THE CATHOLIC ESSAY is the result."

Lippincott gives the following description of the book: "The special delights of the essay are too often neglected by the average reader. The froth, the unexpected neighbors, the diversity, change of pace, profundity, and impish wit

of an essay-collection can be equalled by no other writing form. In A CENTURY OF THE CATHOLIC ESSAY, Father Gross brings you the essay at its glorious best. You'll find subjects for every taste. G. K. Chesterton lists the pleasures of lying in bed; Louise Imogen Guiney explains the benefits of an incognito; Agnes Repplier discusses her cat, Agrippina; Peter Dunne faithfully reports the words of Mr. Dooley as he holds forth on the subject of education; Joyce Kilmer writes about subways, and Hilaire Belloc tells how he feels when he looks at a mountain. There are formal and informal pieces about education, the Church and the modern world, the vignettes of living.